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# INTERNATIONAL UNDERGRADUATE – ADMISSIONS GUIDE –



International Admissions  
The University of Akron  
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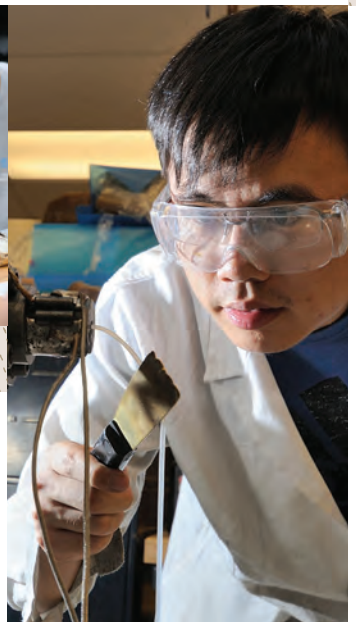
# Prospective Students Guide to Applying to The University of Akron

## DISCOVER THE AKRON EXPERIENCE!

UA BY THE NUMBERS		TOP 10 COUNTRIES
Undergraduates	21,158	China
Graduates	3,591	Saudi Arabia
International Undergraduates	326	India
International Graduates	825	Iran
U.S. States:	~50	Bangladesh
Countries	85	Nepal
Associate Programs	66	Egypt
Baccalaureate Programs	235	Korea
Student-Faculty Ratio	20:1	Ghana
Classes with < 30 students	74%	Nigeria
Alumni	~172,000	

## NATIONAL RANKINGS

- The College of Polymer Science and Polymer Engineering is home to the WORLD'S LARGEST polymer academic program and greatest concentration of polymer expertise.
- Only 2% of business schools worldwide have dual AACSB accreditation in business and accounting - UA's College of Business Administration is one of them.
- *Bloomberg BusinessWeek* ranked UA's College of Business Administration as one of the best undergraduate business schools in the U.S. for the sixth consecutive year in 2014.
- The UA College of Engineering is the fourth fastest growing engineering college in the U.S.



# STEP 1 CHECK OUT OUR MAJORS

## Study at a Nationally-Recognized STEM-Intensive University!

At The University of Akron, you'll get to choose from nearly 200 undergraduate academic programs! We offer associates and bachelors degrees, as well as accelerated programs where you can earn your bachelors and masters in just five years. Not sure what to major in? Check out our Career Center's resources, including Focus2, a FREE major and career assessment. You can also use the NACE salary calculator to predict your future earnings.

- Accounting
- Adolescent to Young Adult
- Applied Mathematics
- Art
- Art Education
- Art History
- Athletic Training
- Automated Manufacturing Engineering Technology
- Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Medicine
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Business Management Technology
- Ceramics
- Chemical Engineering
- Chemistry
- Chemistry - Polymer
- Child Life Specialist
- Communication
- Community Services Technology
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Information Systems - Associates
- Computer Information Systems - Bachelor's
- Computer Science - Systems Track
- Computer Science - Management Track
- Construction Engineering Technology - Associates
- Construction Engineering Technology - Bachelor's
- Corrosion Engineering
- Criminal Justice Technology
- Dance
- Drafting and Computer
- Drafting Technology
- Early Childhood Development
- Early Childhood Education
- Earth Science
- Economics
- Electrical Engineering
- Electronic Engineering Technology
- Emergency Management & Homeland Security
- Emergency Medical Services Technology
- Engineering Geology
- English
- Environmental Science
- Exercise Science
- Family & Consumer Sciences
- Family & Consumer Sciences Teacher Education
- Fashion Merchandising
- Finance
- Fire Protection Technology
- French
- General Business
- Geographic and Land Information Systems
- Geography
- Geology
- Geophysics
- Graphic Design
- Health Care Office Management
- History
- Hospitality Management
- Human Resource Management
- Humanities
- Information Systems Management
- Integrated Marketing Communications
- Interdisciplinary Anthropology
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Interior Design
- International Business
- Intervention Specialist
- Labor Economics
- Land Surveying
- Manufacturing Engineering Technology
- Marketing and Sales Technology
- Marketing Management
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering Technology - Associates
- Mechanical Engineering Technology - Bachelor's
- Medical Assisting Technology
- Metalsmithing
- Middle Level Education
- Music
- Natural Sciences
- Nursing
- Nutrition/Dietetics
- Organizational Supervision
- Painting and Drawing
- Paralegal Studies
- Philosophy
- Photography
- Physical Education
- Physics
- PK-12 Multi-Age Education
- Political Science
- Printmaking
- Psychology
- Radiologic Technology
- Respiratory Therapy
- Sales Management
- Sculpture
- Social Sciences
- Social Services Technology
- Social Work
- Sociology
- Sociology-Criminology & Law Enforcement
- Spanish
- Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology
- Sport Studies
- Statistics
- Studio Art
- Supply Chain/Operations Management
- Surgical Technology
- Surveying and Mapping
- Teaching and Training
- Technical Professionals
- Theatre Arts

## STEP 2 KNOW THE COST

# Learn the Cost of Attendance and Apply for Scholarships

### ESTIMATED ANNUAL EXPENSES:

Tuition and Fees	\$22,028
On-campus Room & Board	\$11,723
Health Insurance	\$1,145
Books	\$1,000
Total	\$35,896

### CURIOS ABOUT YOUR RESIDENCY STATUS?

Check out the Office of the University Registrar's residency requirements.  
[uakron.edu/registrar/residency](http://uakron.edu/registrar/residency)

### SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The University of Akron values the presence of international students on-campus. To help ease the cost, there are a variety of scholarship opportunities that international students may apply for. In addition, international students may be able to receive financial support from their home country governments, employers, or foundations associated with their majors.  
[uakron.edu/oip/immigration/scholarships.dot](http://uakron.edu/oip/immigration/scholarships.dot)

### NEW FRESHMEN SCHOLARSHIPS:

- TOEFL Scholarship Program
- Brazil Scientific Mobility Program
- Leo S. Rowe Pan American Fund
- Arab Student Aid International

## STEP 3 MAKE A PLAN

# Learn about the Admissions Process

### THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS

1. Submit Application
2. Receive Admission Decision
3. Accept Admission Offer
4. Receive I-20 or DS-2019
5. Pay SEVIS Fee Online
6. Apply for F-1 or J-1 Visa

### APPLICANT CATEGORIES

1. **New Freshman:** No previous college/university courses
2. **Transfer:** Previous college/university academic courses
3. **Postbaccalaureate:** Previous bachelor's degree
4. **Guest:** Visitor from another college/university
5. **Special/Non-Degree:** Interested in a short-term program

### NEED YOUR CREDENTIALS EVALUATED?

Try World Education Services (WES), Academic Credentials Evaluation Institute, Inc. (ACEI), or search through the list of credential evaluation services at [www.NACES.org](http://www.NACES.org)

### Admissions Deadlines\*

#### Fall Semester (Aug.)

May 1st

#### Spring Semester (Jan.)

Oct. 1st

#### Summer Semester (May)

March 1st

\* Transfer students are admitted on a rolling basis.

# STEP 4 APPLY!

## Learn about Application Materials

RECEIVE YOUR ADMISSION DECISION IN TWO WEEKS!\*

Application Materials	Application		Transcripts		Test Scores
	UA Online Application	\$60 Application Fee	Secondary School Transcripts*	College/University Transcripts*	English Proficiency Test
New Freshman	✓	✓	✓		✓
Transfer	✓	✓		✓	✓
Postbaccalaureate	✓	✓		✓	✓
Guest	✓	✓		✓	✓
Special/Non-Degree	✓	✓		✓	✓

\*Applications must be complete when submitted. If not available at the time of application, final transcripts and proof of graduation must be submitted during the first semester of study. If the transcripts are not in English, they must be translated by a credentialed agency.

### ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS

Please Note: All submitted materials will become the property of The University of Akron. Original documents will not be returned. If you anticipate needing your original documents, do not submit them. Instead, submit certified true copies to:

International Admissions  
The University of Akron  
Akron, OH 44325-2001

### EXPEDITED I-20/DS-2019 PROCESSING

Submit the following documents with your application and your I-20/DS-2019 will be expedited, putting you at the front of the line for visa appointments!

- Biographical page of your passport
- Declaration and Certification of Finances (DCF) Form
- Bank statement/letter showing sufficient funding

\* These documents are not required for processing your application.

### Accepted English Proficiency Test Scores

TOEFL iBT	SAT Verbal	ACT English
71	490	18
IELTS	CAE	PTE
6.0	169	48

### NO TEST? NO PROBLEM!

We offer conditional admission to our English Language Institute for students who need English training before beginning academic classes.

### HOW TO WAIVE THE ENGLISH REQUIREMENT

- Complete one year of full-time academic courses at an accredited U.S. college or university, including two English courses with a 'C' or better.
- Graduate from a U.S. high school with a minimum of one year of study and pass all parts of the Ohio Proficiency Test.
- Complete The University of Akron's English Language Institute.
- English requirement waived for citizens of exempt countries: [uakron.edu/oip/admissions/undergrad.dot](http://uakron.edu/oip/admissions/undergrad.dot).

# STEP 5 CHECK OUT LIFE AT UA

## Learn About Living On Campus

You're sure to enjoy your new "home away from home" in one of UA's 10 residence halls. With free highspeed Internet, cable TV access, and free laundry facilities, you'll be living the good life. Each residence hall is secure 24/7; even residents have to swipe their Zip Cards to get into the buildings. Residence halls offer the convenience of living on campus and are a great way to experience independent living, all while making new friends! Plus, UA offers dining plans that suit your individual needs, including flexible Dining Dollars.

Take a Virtual Campus Tour: [uakron.edu/visit](http://uakron.edu/visit)

### GET INVOLVED

- ~300 Student Organizations
- Around the World Party
- Cultural Partner Program
- International Education Week
- State-of-the-Art Recreation Center



# STEP 6 YOUR FUTURE STARTS HERE

## Learn What Akron, Ohio has to Offer You

### AKRON IS:

#### URBAN

5th largest city in Ohio with close to 200,000 residents

#### AFFORDABLE

Cost of living among the lowest in the United States

#### THRIVING

10 Fortune 500 companies within an hour's drive

#### GREEN

Dozens of parks plus 125 mi. (201 km.) of biking/hiking trails

#### FUN

Thousands of local events each year

### AREA FORTUNE 500 EMPLOYERS

- Eaton Corporation
- FirstEnergy
- Goodyear Tire & Rubber
- KeyCorp
- Lubrizol
- Parker Hannifin
- Sherwin-Williams
- Timken

### ARTS & CULTURE

- Akron Art Museum
- Akron Civic Theater
- Blossom Music Center
- Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad
- Hale Farm & Village
- Hower House
- Pro Football Hall of Fame
- Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens

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- Phone: 330-972-6419
- Fax: 330-972-7970
- [uakron.edu/oip](http://uakron.edu/oip)

### RECREATION

- Akron Zoo
- First Night Akron
- Great Lakes Science Center
- Metro Parks
- National Hamburger Festival

### SPORTS

- Akron Marathon
- Akron Racers
- Akron RubberDucks
- Canton Charge
- Cleveland Browns
- Cleveland Cavaliers
- Cleveland Indians
- Pro Football Hall of Fame
- Rubber City RollerGirls
- Soap Box Derby
- University of Akron Athletics

### WEEKEND GETAWAYS

- Amish Country
- Brandywine Ski Resort
- Cedar Point
- Downtown Cleveland
- Geneva on the Lake
- Hocking Hills
- Lake Erie Islands
- Niagara Falls
- Put-In-Bay



Akron, Ohio: Home of LeBron James

